

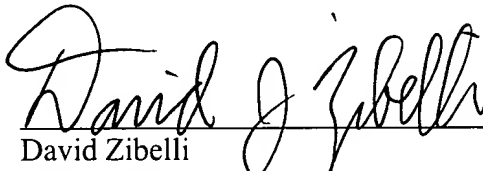
**REMARKS**

Claims 1-3 are pending. By this Amendment all of the claims are presented. Therefore, reconsideration and favorable action is hereby solicited.

The Office is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Should there be any questions concerning this matter, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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